Substitute for form 1449/PTO		Complete if Known				
Substitute for form 2443/FTO				Application Number		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)			ISCLOSURE	Filing Date		<del></del>
				First Named Inventor	Yoichi KURODA	
				Art Unit		<del></del>
			ry)	Examiner Name		
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	36856.1143	· ·

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number Number-Kind Code <sup>2(ff known)</sup>	Publication Date MM -YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
		,					

Contraction 1	Oin-			T DOCUMENTS		
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number-Kind Code <sup>3</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM -YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Te
N/ 1		JP 2991175	10/1999	JAPAN		×
49	2	JP 2000-323354	11/2000	JAPAN		X
						+
						+
						$\dagger$
-						+
						+
Examiner				Date		
Signature		1) My		Considered	4 26/04	

<sup>\*</sup>Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether of not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance

and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Applicant unique citation designation number (optional). \*\*See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. \*\*See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. \*\*Enter Applicant unique citation designation number (opuonal). See Nino Codes of Ostro Patent documents at www.usuto.gov of wire P 50.1.04. Enter Office that issued the document by the two-letter code (WIPO Strandard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Fkind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Abstract is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14.